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COMMENT OF THE DAY

THE GOVERNOR

THERE will be widespread regret at the announcement that Hongkong is to lose its popular and much loved Governor who has given 10 years devoted service to the welfare of this territory and its inhabitants. Never has a Governor of this Colony earned such affection that the populace should demand his retention for such a long period. Three times his term has been extended and a fourth, backed by the signatures of half the population in a petition to the Queen, was demanded.

Yesterday's announcement has indeed come as something of a shock. Not only was it widely hoped but it was quite widely expected that he would come back at least for a short term. It is unreasonable perhaps to expect an indefinite extension of his term of office as some have sought. The Governor and Lady Grantham are entitled to a well-earned retirement. Indeed, if the Governor has no retirement plans yet Hongkong cannot grudge his appointment to some leading administrative post in the Commonwealth. Such a posting would be a fitting reward for the great service he has performed here.

THE 'FEEL'

HOW, it may be wondered, have Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham earned the tremendous affection and respect accorded them during their stay here? Initially his outstanding capabilities undoubtedly impressed upon the population the need to retain such a brilliant administrator and one who, it seemed, was so remarkably sensitive not only to the requirements but the potentialities of the Colony. Sir Alexander, after all, had helped put Hongkong firmly back on its feet after the Japanese occupation.

With changed conditions in China, war in Korea and the sudden crash in the entrepot trade, the Colony's future depended on having the right man at the helm. No one doubted that Sir Alexander was the right man. And as the crisis eventually eased, new conditions again demanded the services of this remarkable man. But it would be wrong to suggest that the Governor's popularity rests solely in his ability and his deep insight into the Colony's problems.

WELCOME

ALL sections of the population have reason to remember him with kindness. Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham have made it their business to meet as many people as possible. Refugees and resettled squatters have mingled with the Governor as freely as Garden Party guests and the Granthams have shown a friendly and indeed keen interest in the multifarious activities of Hongkong. This is a widely acknowledged fact. The Indian Premier, Mr. Nehru ranks among one of Sir Alexander's many admirers overseas.

The news of his departure next year is, however, tempered to a great extent by the most welcome appointment of Sir Robert Black as his successor, a man who has known the Colony during three years when the foundations of much existing policy were being laid. Resettlement, development, industrial expansion are among the problems with which Sir Robert was closely associated during his term of office as Colonial Secretary. He and Lady Black also enjoyed wide popularity with Chinese and Europeans here and his return will be widely welcomed.

BIG HK RUBBER DEAL EXPECTED

Industrialists To Meet S'pore Dealers

Singapore, Aug. 2.

A RUBBER deal worth hundreds of thousands of Malayan dollars was expected to be made between Singapore rubber merchants and some Hongkong industrialists, the Straits Times reported today.

Marilyn Fights Miscarriage Threat

New York, Aug. 1. Actress Marilyn Monroe, America's No. 1 glamour girl, was taken to a hospital today and placed under observation for a threatened miscarriage.

The 31-year-old blonde actress, wife of playwright Arthur Miller, was admitted to Doctor's Hospital shortly before noon today.

Her press agent, Warren Fisher, said she would remain in the hospital for several days.

Miss Monroe and Miller were married on June 29, 1956, in White Plains, New York. She had already declined comment on recurring reports that she was pregnant. — United Press.

EDITOR BANISHED

Commonwealth Press Union Protests

London, Aug. 1. The announcement from Accra, Ghana, yesterday that Mr. Bankole Timothy, deputy editor of the Ghana Daily Graphic, had been ordered to leave the country provoked an official statement of protest from the Commonwealth Press Union, an organisation to further the interests of Commonwealth newspapers and preserve press freedoms.

The Ghana Daily Graphic is within the London Daily Mirror group.

Mr. Timothy will fly to Freetown, Sierra Leone, tomorrow to comply with the deportation order.

In its statement, the Commonwealth Press Union said that the press and public opinion in all Commonwealth countries and indeed in the world, would be deeply disturbed by the thought that the Government of Ghana had ordered the deportation within 48 hours of Mr. Bankole Timothy, the deputy editor of the Daily Graphic in Accra and correspondent in Ghana of the Observer (of London). — Reuters.

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"Rex" the African Lion at the London Zoo has little thought for anything, other than the job in front of him — finishing off a very tasty joint... Plenty of the right food makes me a contented lion — says Rex!! — Keystone Photo.

BESSIE BRADDOCK HAILS VENUS-LIKE REVELATIONS

London, Aug. 1.

MRS Bessie Braddock, British member of Parliament whose 210 pounds are encased in a 50-40-50 figure, hailed government disclosures today that the average British woman is a slightly plumper version of the Venus de Milo.

FORMOSA BUILDING TANKERS

New York, Aug. 1. Westinghouse Electric Corporation today announced receipt of a \$6 million contract to supply marine turbines for Formosa's first major ship-building venture — the construction of six 36,000-ton supertankers at the Keelung Shipyards in Taiwan.

Under an agreement with Ingalls-Taiwan Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Westinghouse Electric International Company will ship six 18,000 shaft horsepower marine turbines, plus condensers and air ejectors to Formosa.

The first portion of a \$4,500,000 steel order for the superliners is expected to arrive at Keelung from Japan in the next few days, Westinghouse reported.

Delivery of the first propulsion units is scheduled for December 1958. Two super-tankers chartered by Gulf Oil Corporation should sail off the ways six months later, spokesman said.

Keelung is Formosa's largest port. Expansion of its shipyards will allow construction of 65,000-ton vessels by 1959. "Competitive in cost with the lowest in the world and equal in quality to US standards," according to Mr. Magnus I. Grogerson, chairman of Ingalls-Taiwan. — United Press.

Premature Birth For Singer

Hollywood, Aug. 1. A four-pound boy was born prematurely today to singing star Rosemary Clooney in St John's Hospital at nearby Santa Monica.

The child, third for Miss Clooney and actor-director Jose Ferrer, was due in October. Attendees said both the baby, Gabriel Vincent, and mother were in good condition, although the infant had to be placed in an incubator.

The Ferrers have two other children, Miguel, 2, and Maria, 1. — United Press.



MRS BRADDOCK, MP
Some Emotion

The report, published by the Board of Trade and soberly entitled "Women's Measurements and Sizes", was the result of a six-year scientific investigation to find out whether, honestly, British women looked like the willowy warblers in the fashion magazines or not.

Now Official

Now the Board of Trade says officially what British women—and their menfolk—have known for years—that Mrs. Average Briton is stacked 37-27½-38½, or, as the Daily Mirror front-page headline put it today, "Cuddly, curvy and comfy."

Mrs. Braddock, herself an "outsize" said with genuine emotion: "I believe that if we can obtain the whole-hearted support, assistance and co-operation of the whole of the clothing trade in this country we can establish a form of export trade which can outdo any other form of industry in any other country." — China Mail Special.

US TROOPS

Washington, Aug. 1. Mr. Charles Wilson, the US Secretary of Defence, said today the United States planned to withdraw 25,000 ground combat troops from Japan by the end of this year, and the rest—some 15,000—by August next year. — Reuters.

TWA Want Bristol Britannias

Washington, Aug. 1. The US publication, Aviation Daily, said today that multi-millionaire Howard Hughes, who owns 85 per cent of the Trans World Airlines shares, has offered to buy 30 turbo-prop Bristol Britannia planes for TWA—if he can get early delivery.

The four-engined British-made plane is claimed to be the largest and fastest plane in passenger service at present.

The cost of the 30 Britannias, plus spares, is estimated at 150 million dollars.

The journal said that to get early delivery for Mr. Hughes, the makers had reached an agreement with British Overseas Airways Corporation for the release of 19 Britannias they had on order.

West Indies Federation Approved

London, Aug. 1. The Queen today gave her final approval to creation of a West Indies Federation.

Simultaneously, Governor-General despatch Lord Hailsham announced he would leave for Trinidad, capital of the Federation, early next January. He said he hoped to hold general elections in the Federation on March 29, 1958.

The Queen's approval came in the form of signing the West Indies Federation Order in Council of 1957.

The Federation formally commenced to function upon arrival of the Governor-General. — United Press.

OPEN SKIES PLAN RUSSIAN PLANES WOULD FLY OVER BRITAIN

By DEREK MARKS

London, Aug. 2.

SOVIET inspection planes will fly right across Britain if a new "open skies" plan proposed by the West is accepted by Russia.

JAPANESE WANT A-MISSILES

New York, Aug. 1. The United States is giving favourable consideration to Japanese request for guided missiles capable of carrying atomic warheads, the Columbia Broadcasting System said today.

CBS news correspondent in Japan, Peter Kalischer, reported details of the plan. He said the request was made by the Japanese Defence Agency several months ago, and that detailed negotiations between the American and Japanese governments are expected to begin soon.

SIX TYPES

Kalischer reported that a Defence Agency official said six missile types were requested, including the Mike, Falcon, Sparrow, Bomarc, Talos, and Terrier. The Terrier can be fired from a rocket ship. All are capable of carrying atomic warheads.

The missiles, according to Kalischer, would form the basis of a proposed Japanese guided missile corps which would become a part of Japan's defence force after American troops leave the country. The defence force would place emphasis on air power. — United Press.

This look see proposal is due to be disclosed at London disarmament talks soon. It would give the West the right to send planes flying 1,500 miles into Soviet territory—right up to Ural Mountains. And the purpose of all these East and West inspection flights would be to assure both sides that neither is preparing to launch a surprise attack. Nobody knows what Russia's reaction to the Western plan will be.

REPORT DUE

The conference is due Friday to send a report to the United Nations. They will state that the five-nation sub-committee are prepared to go on discussing possible disarmament plans. The Russians are expected to suggest that talks should be transferred to New York and held by a full disarmament commission instead of the present five-power sub-committee.

Churchmen Arrested

Paris, Aug. 1. The Hungarian Ministry of the Interior announced today that a number of Roman Catholic church officials including the secretary of Cardinal Mindszenty, have been arrested on charges of plotting against the regime of the People's Democracy. The Hungarian MTI news agency said. The group of church officials would shortly come up for trial in Budapest, the agency said. — France-Press.

Los Angeles Brush Fire

Los Angeles, Aug. 1. SEVERAL homes were destroyed today in a grass and brush fire which swept out of control in a hilly area of Highland Park within the Los Angeles city limits.

The blaze was one of several which sprang up in the third day of a Southern California heat wave and some 125 Los

Angeles city firemen were hampered by either no water, or low water pressure. "We have lost some homes, but don't know yet just how many," fire chief Whipple said. "We are trying to prevent the water supply with five street flushing tanks from the Board of Public Works." — United Press.

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When he attended a Foyles Literary Luncheon to launch his novel "The Ordeal of Gilbert Pinfold", recently, author Evelyn Waugh, seen here at the luncheon with the Duchess of Devonshire, arrived with an Edwardian car trumpet, which he acquired as the result of an advertisement in the Times which read: "Old fashioned car trumpet required by author who hunts modern electrical gadgets." More than 100 arrived and Mr Waugh chose the most impressive. — Keystone Photo.

Dior Introduces His 1957 'Spindle Line'

By PEGGY MASSIN

Paris, Aug. 1.

Christian Dior drops the waist, erases the bosom and brings in a moderately shorter hem and a straight bloused silhouette in the new "spindle line" presented today.

The message this season is the unified theme for street wear and the flattened long bosom look.

Dior defines his silhouette as being "between two paratheses." Waist rest on the hipbone, through evolutions of the bloused blouse, in two place dresses, Neapolitan are particularly high for day wear. The bosom first states its existence in afternoon clothes, when the 18th century look comes in.

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Re-evaluation Of United Nations Taking Place

Dag Hammarskjold

New York, Aug. 1.

Mr Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary-General, said today that charges of a "double standard" in UN handling of the Suez and Hungarian crises reflected the need for wider understanding of world affairs.

In his annual report to the General Assembly covering the year up to June 15, he expressed "increasing concern" at the comparative public disinterest in world affairs.

But he added that there were some signs in many countries that "some re-evaluation of the United Nations by public opinion" was taking place.

World Opinion

He said: "Certainly, the international situation may be said to be clearer to many persons than a year ago, with a new appreciation of the power of world opinion that can be mobilised through the machinery of the United Nations, when this machinery is utilised."

Referring to charges of a "double standard" over Suez and Hungary, he said this "most frequently expressed criticism of

"ons and the terms of the Charter," the Secretary-General said.

This promised, if the opportunity could be effectively utilised, the development in the long run of "deeper and more lasting understanding and support for the organisation."

Mr Hammarskjold said persistence of misconceptions from lack of understanding was "a matter for careful consideration."

He said: "In part it results from the lag behind science and technology of interest in world affairs on the part of public opinion. The lag is natural. It is also of increasing concern in an age which has made a close neighbourhood of the world in the physical senses, and at the same time has made resort to war, as the price of failure to live together in peace, its neighbours, so costly as to become a threat to civilisation itself."

Promote Knowledge

There seemed to be a need for increased efforts to "promote knowledge about the Charter and the procedures of the United Nations among the general public," Mr Hammarskjold went on.

"Especially evident is the need for wide understanding of the constructive potentialities of the organisation, as well as its constitutional limitations; understanding, in other words, of how far it can or cannot exert an immediate influence on the course of events, and of the possibilities for making this influence steadily stronger in the future by wise policy in the present."

Mr Hammarskjold noted comments for and against the system of giving identical voting power to national states in which the remainder of the document was given to a summary of events in which the United Nations had been concerned in the period under review.

The introduction to the report, which customarily contains the Secretary-General's principal conclusions, will not be released until some time nearer the Assembly's opening date, September 17.—Reuter.

DAG HAMMARSKJOLD
Increasing Concern Over
Disinterest

The United Nations in a few weeks reflected this need for wider understanding."

In its efforts to secure settlements "by peaceful means, and in conformity with the principles of justice," the Assembly called for voluntary withdrawal of forces and voluntary compliance with other terms of its resolutions on the Middle East and Hungary, Mr Hammarskjold noted.

Major Crises

"That this reflected the essential character of the United Nations as an association of national states in which the sovereign rights of all its members are carefully safeguarded was not sufficiently clear to some critics," he added.

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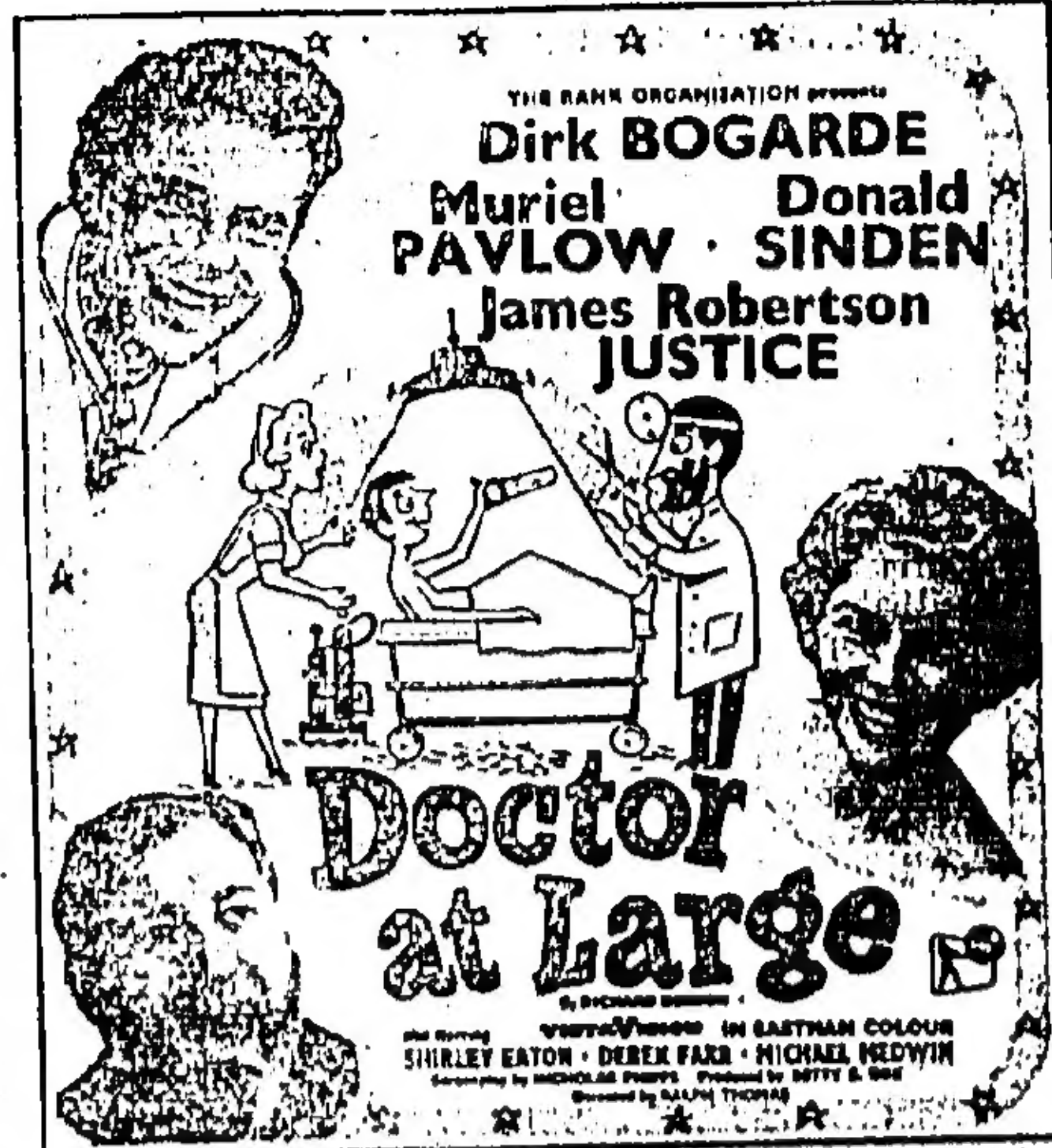
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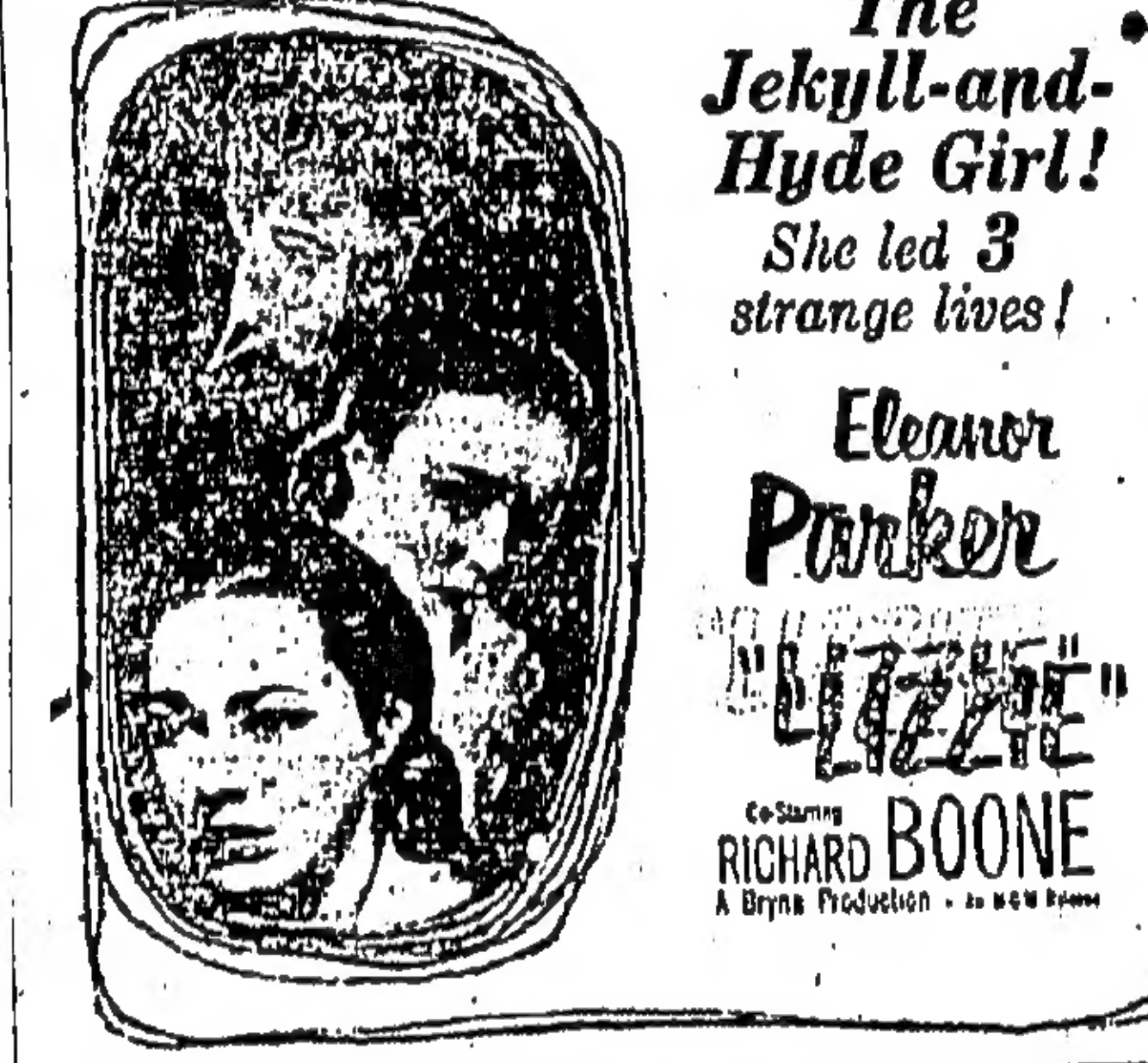
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US-CANADA DEFENCE MERGER

Two Air Forces Joined To Form Adcanus

Washington, Aug. 1. The United States and Canada announced plans today to carry out a partial merger of their air defence forces and place them under control of US Air Force Gen. Earl E. Partridge.

The agreement was a new step toward creation of a single North American Air Theatre for defence against any future Russian air invasion. Partridge now is US Continental Air Defence Commander with Army, Navy and Air Force units under his control.

The announcement said the two governments have agreed to the setting up of a system of integrated operational control of the air defence forces in the continental United States, Alaska and Canada. It said Partridge would be responsible to the chiefs of staff of both countries.

The announcement was issued jointly by Defence Secretary Charles E. Wilson and Canadian Defence Minister George R. Pearkes.

Colorado Springs

Air Marshal C. R. Siemon, new Canadian Chief of Air Staff, will move to Colorado Springs, Colorado, as Deputy Commander-in-Chief under Partridge. Their joint headquarters will be known as Adcanus—short for Air Defence Canada US.

Adcanus will be charged with working out plans for "immediate use in case of emergency." Included will be the operation of interceptors, guided missiles and radar warning systems of the two countries.

The new joint headquarters will be somewhat similar to the North Atlantic Treaty Headquarters, with joint staffs of the two countries working side by side.

Other Steps

The move was a further step in the unifying American-Canadian defences, it follows these other steps:

★ Construction of the 600-million-dollar distant early warning line stretching 8,000 miles across the top of the continent.

★ Construction of the 200-million-dollar Mid-Canada warning line across the top of the settled areas of Canada.

★ Operation of the Pine Tree Chain, from which Air Defence Forces of the two countries are jointly controlled. The chain runs along the US-Canadian border.

United Press.

Menzies Denies Lukewarm To Diefenbaker

Ottawa, Aug. 1. Prime Minister R. G. Menzies of Australia came to Ottawa today to deny heatedly that he was lukewarm toward Canada's new Prime Minister, John Diefenbaker, or Mr Diefenbaker's urging for a Commonwealth trade conference.

Mr Menzies, on his home from London after a month-long tour in Ottawa from New York and will move on to Chicago tomorrow after a 20-hour stay.

MISINTERPRETED

He told a press conference that he was "grossly misinterpreted," "scandalously misrepresented," and "monstrously misquoted" by some members of the London press at the time of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers Conference there five weeks ago.

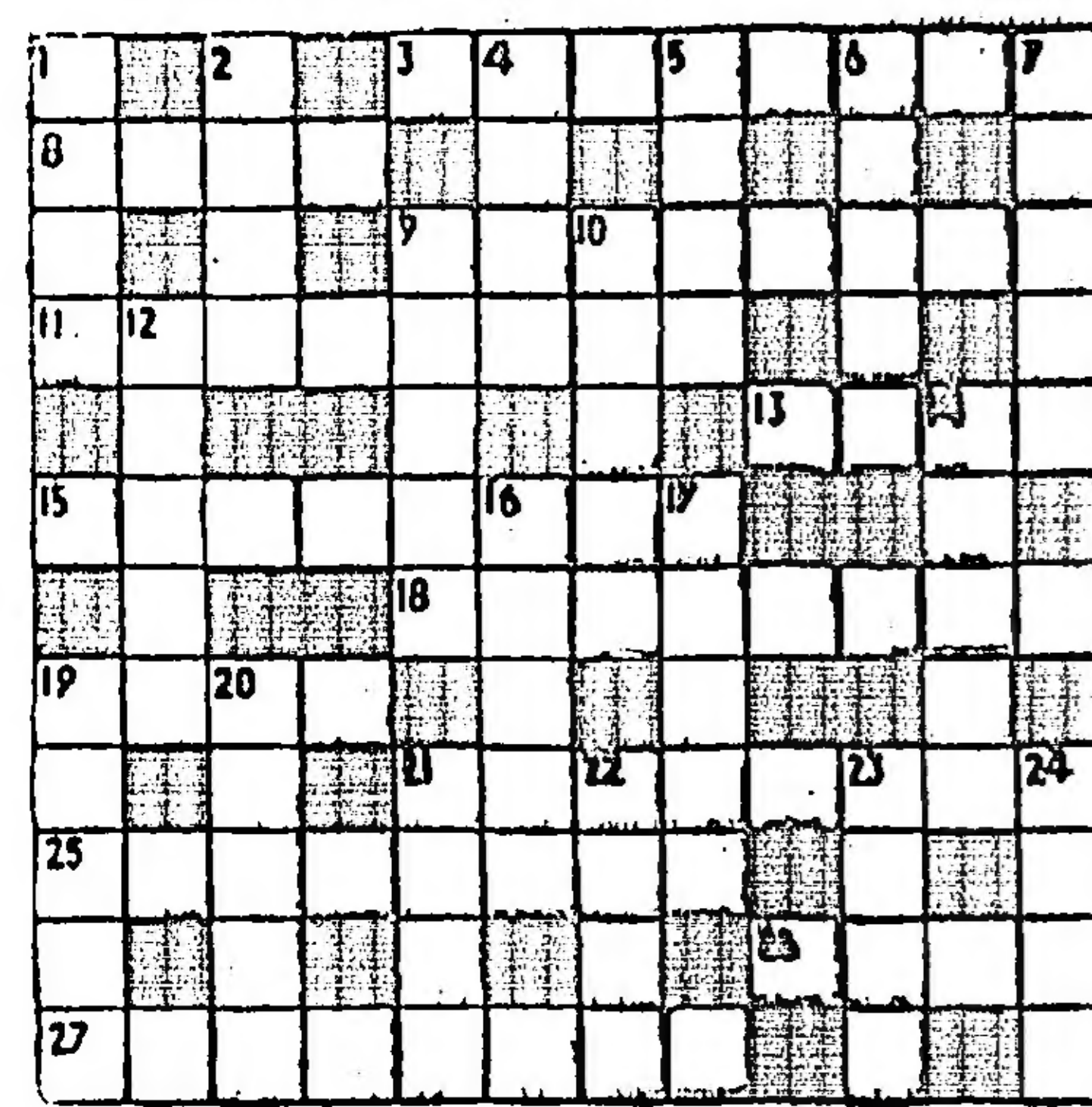
Mr Menzies said the Canadian Government's views, and his views were "practically identical" on the value of a Common Market and industrial Free Trade Area in Europe. They agreed, he said, that the proposals "might greatly add to the economic strength of Europe, but anything doing so would increase Europe's purchasing power."

MUCH CONCERNED

"But we are very much concerned that we will not be put at a disadvantage in the exports of our primary products—wheat in your case, and wheat to a smaller extent but principally wool in our case," said Mr Menzies.

The Australian Prime Minister said Mr Diefenbaker's proposals for a meeting of Commonwealth Prime Ministers here in September was "an admirable idea—we're in warm sympathy," he added.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- But there's only one in a week (8).
 - Half applied (4).
 - Something to drink (8).
 - Furnished on condition (8).
 - Uninteresting accommodation (4).
 - It keeps things shimmering (8).
 - Don, perhaps (8).
 - Clever fish (4).
 - Not respectable (8).
 - Comparatively odd newcomer (8).
 - The West Indians? (4).
 - Completely fed up (8).
- DOWN**
- Cut across (4).
 - Overhead light (4).
 - Accompanied otherwise to be (4).
 - Taken to court (4).
 - Is of service (5).
 - Yulio, for example (5).
 - Match for a goddess (5).
 - Christian name (5).
 - Pinny of sorts (5).
 - Playing hockey tricks (5).
 - "Come in, please" (5).
 - Long players, perhaps (5).
 - Go off bang (5).
 - Old Peruvian (4).
 - Geographical feature (5).
 - Well-known garden (5).
 - Criminals do it (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Cactus, 2. Recap, 3. Screamer, 4. Topaz, 5. Stream, 6. Eastern, 7. Western, 8. Duller, 9. Roman, 10. Director, 11. No-yes, 12. No-yes, 13. Down: 1. Coast, 2. Stern, 3. Steamer, 4. Marlin, 5. Campbell, 6. Francis, 7. Steamer, 8. Andron, 9. Warren, 10. Broder, 11. Lecty, 12. Surer.

MARKET MEN CLASH WITH POLICE



Extra police were drafted in to Spitalfields Market last week—following reports that drivers arriving to pick up parcels were threatened by strike pickets. Photo shows crowds around vehicles during the incidents at Spitalfields Market. — Keystone Photo.

IMAM OF OMAN WHO WASN'T THERE

By JOE MORRIS

Sharjah, Trucial Oman, Aug. 1. This is the story of the little Imam who wasn't there.

He is the figurehead around whom a brooding desert war in Oman is revolving. His long-twisted title of Imam of Oman is nothing compared to the confusion he has caused in official and pro-British circles.

The Imam lives somewhere in a remote, uncharted region of central Oman where fewer than a dozen Europeans have ever gone. Even some of those were disguised as Arabs for fear of losing their lives at the hands of fanatical Nomadic tribes still living in the iron age by all reports.

DEEPLY RELIGIOUS

The Imam is said to be 40, elderly, greybeard, deeply religious but befuddled by the intrusion of modern politics into the picture.

The politics have been provided largely from Cairo and London. He was elected Imam Ghaleb ben Aly in 1954 with the support of the Beir Hayat, which is the single largest tribe in the remote interior country. The tribe is headed by fey old Suleiman bin Hamyah the elderly "King of the Green Mountain."

While the aging Imam has in his religious personality, Suleiman and Ghaleb's brother Yulio were busy leading off a revolution with Saudi assistance.

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY

When it came to the Imam, the British claimed involvement and the Sultan declared him in "protective custody." Ghaleb's wife, Mohammed, chief of the Beir Hayat tribe, interceded on his behalf.

But the question was never settled whether Ghaleb was still the Imam.

The British Foreign Office recently declared, "There is no Imam."

REVOLUTIONARY

The Imam himself has not brought the Imam to the head of a revolutionary group. One thing is certain — it would be better for the Imam to be taken prisoner than to be taken prisoner by the British.

The newspaper said the correspondence between the Imam and the British was "a series of general knowledge, geography and sociology" all carefully slanted to the Communist creed. The Imam was in China and was operated from Peking. The newspaper said that Police believed the Imam's tactics were being used by Peking to draw the local Chinese closer to the Communist cause and get stronger support from Chinese youth here.

Police were watching this and all other attempts at subversion very closely, the newspaper said.—Reuter.

NEAR RIOT AT MOSCOW FESTIVAL

Moscow, Aug. 1. A national argument on the Hungarian Revolution during an American television interview almost brought a small riot to the Moscow Youth Festival tonight.

Columbia Broadcasting System spokesman, Dan Schorr, was interviewing a Hungarian youth delegate, Walter Koppedge, when the fireworks started.

OPPOSED

In answer to a question from Schorr, Oxford student Koppedge said, "All students and nearly everybody" he talked to opposed the official Soviet line on Hungary.

A Moscow radio correspondent standing nearby expressed surprise and asked Koppedge whether he would like to say something on the subject over the Moscow Radio.

Koppedge became uneasy and apparently frightened. He turned down the Russian newsman and asked Schorr whether he could not record his recorded answer for American TV.

After reflection, he once more made a statement for Schorr, who was accused by Moscow Radio of "coaching" interviews.

"Some Moscow University students told me they disapproved of the official Soviet line on Hungary but that the men on the street approve of it," Koppedge said.

LIAR!

At this point American delegate Morris Block shouted, "Liar, Schorr wants to start a counter-revolution." Other members in the crowd of youths watching the interview at so-called Festival Village here joined in.

Several denounced Schorr for "rigging interviews with anti-communists," other voices proclaimed that the delegates "deserve free speech."—United Press.

'ATOMIC PLANTS' APPEAR

London, Aug. 1. A mysterious crop of freak flowers in Britain could be due to radioactivity from nuclear explosions, a horticultural expert said here today.

He called for immediate research on these "atomic plants."

Writing in Illustrated, a weekly magazine, Lawrence D. Hills, fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society, said the increase in freak flowers this year is as much as five-fold in the case of lupins.

He cited a delphinium pollen into monstrously, a lupin which grew a three-foot spike and four bundles of flower (equivalent in terms of human freakiness to a four-foot man with four heads).

Other freaks included a lupin with 16 "fingers" of flowers and moister foxgloves.

What causes these freaks?

Pointing out that radioactive fallout from nuclear explosions attacks any living cells, Mr Hills wrote: "Some scientists and gardeners believe there has already been a disturbance in the normal amount of radiation in the atmosphere."

He said the freaks, found mostly in the midlands, were not caused by unusual weather, sunspots, a new type of virus, or dust from weekkillers.

"Although it cannot be said with absolute authority that radiation is the cause, it is known that plant freaks can be produced artificially by X-rays," Mr Hills said.—China Mail Special.

Speaker's Chair

London, Aug. 1. To celebrate Malaysia's independence, the House of Commons will offer a Speaker's Chair to the Malayan Parliament.

The British Government will offer, for the same purpose, a post-graduate scholarship to a Malayan student. This was announced by Mr R. A. Butler, leader of the House, and approved by members of both parties.—France Press.

More Houses

Washington, Aug. 1. Senate Democrats, London, England, announced today they will ask for a crucial Senate vote tonight on the controversial jury trial amendment to President Eisenhower's Civil Rights Bill.—United Press.

CONFIDENTIAL AND WHISPER

100 Top Stars Subpoenaed For Libel Trial

By VERNON SCOTT

Hollywood, Aug. 1. Defence attorneys for Confidential Magazine disclosed today they have subpoenaed more than 100 top movie stars and filmland personalities and have warned them they will be asked under oath if spicy scandal stories about them are true.

The growing number of celebrities called indicated the type of battle that Confidential and its sister publication, Whisper, planned to wage tomorrow against charges of conspiracy to publish libelous and obscene matter about the movie celebrities.

FIGHT FOR LIFE

Confidential's fight for its life is to be spearheaded by Attorney Arthur J. Crowley, who will defend Fred and Marjorie Meade, operators of Hollywood Research Inc., identified as the gossip gathering news organization that spiced on the alleged private lives of stars.

The Meades go on trial in Los Angeles Superior Court with Hollywood prepared to witness possibly one of the most lurid chapters in its history—unless legal legendman thwarts Crowley's avowed intent to use truth as defence.

Among those reportedly subpoenaed by Crowley are Gary Cooper, Walter Pidgeon, Corinne Calvet, Rory Calhoun, Scott Brady, Sonny Tufts, Buddy Eyer, Lana Turner and Tab Hunter.

MEADES TRIAL

The prosecution, headed by California Assistant Attorney General Clarence A. Linn, has indicated it considers the Meades trial as its main case because agents have been unable to extradite Confidential publisher Robert Harrison and others from New York.

Linn said the libel case will be based on articles in Confidential and Whisper about Maureen O'Hara, Dorothy Dandridge, Dick Powell, Robert Mitchum, Miss Calvet, Marc West, John Carroll and Mark Stevens.

The list of articles charged as libelous contains such titles as "What Dorothy Dandridge Did In The Woods"; "How Long Can Dick Powell

FLOOD WATERS DRAINED OFF

London, Aug. 1.

Most of the accumulated water in areas affected by heavy rainfall last month in Communist China's Shan-shung and Honan provinces have been drained off, the New China News Agency reported tonight.

Quoting a report from Shan-shung Province, the Agency said the surface water on at least two thirds of the over one million hectares of inundated farmland there has been drained off. Most of the marooned villages are now standing on dry land.

YIELD CROPS

In Honan Province, where one and a half million hectares of farmland were inundated, 1.13 million hectares can still yield crops in the coming autumn, with varying degrees of reduced output. Even in the Province's most seriously affected areas in Eastern Honan, the greater part of the accumulated water has been drained away.

The affected areas, attacked by heavy rainfall in early and mid-July, are located along the Yi, Shi, Wen and See Rivers in Shan-shung and the Shi and Yang rivers in Honan. A small part of adjacent Anhwei and Kiangsu Provinces was also waterlogged and the rain water there is also being drained, the Agency added.—Reuter.

More Houses

Moscow, Aug. 1. The Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party and the Soviet Government today issued a directive to "put up and in the shortest building campaign within the next ten to 12 years" that the Soviet News Agency reported.—Reuter.

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Report From Washington

By ALEXANDER BROAD

A KINDLY Senate, baffled a little by President Eisenhower's apparent inability to make up his mind about the budget, gave some thought last week to the problem of helping him out.

Senator Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma decided, however, that there was no future in this proposal. "No man can help Eisenhower study the fiscal problems of this government," he said, "because one cannot do that without brains and he does not have them."

Priest Of The Plague

by KENNETH YOUNG.
HENRY MORSE, Priest of the Plague.

Philip Catamont (Longinus, 184).

HENRY MORSE was a Suffolk man, born in 1595, who became a Roman Catholic priest and later a Jesuit at a time when to be either in England was to risk imprisonment and death. In fact Morse was constantly in and out of prison—except when he was abroad at Douai or in Flanders—and in 1645 was hanged at Tyburn as a traitor.

Afterwards, an eye-witness recorded, "His body was laid open, his heart torn out, his entrails burnt, and his body quartered." The quarters were set on the city gates, the head on London Bridge.

To us the penalty is barbarous, the treason not obvious. Morse had lived a good, even a heroically good, life. He had ministered both physically and spiritually to thousands of plague victims in the smitten London of 1603-5, and in consequence had himself twice suffered the agonies of bubonic plague. Morally his life was spotless, and he had followed the maxims of his religion most faithfully.

For himself he had sought nothing, seeking only to bring the consolations of his church to those of his fellow countrymen who were of the same persuasion, and—here is the clue—striving also to convert others to Roman Catholicism which, he believed, could ensure the salvation of the individual soul.

The Roman Way

By the beginning of the 17th century most Englishmen held different beliefs equally strongly held. Not only that; in Morse's lifetime politics was religion. To a rising mercantile England an intricate foreign policy such as Rome sought to impose was not to be tolerated, since it could, and sometimes had, put her at a disadvantage with her greatest mercantile rival, Spain.

Moreover, as the great economic changes got under way, political power in England was changing hands; class structures were fluid; a free, proud nation was coming into being, and any hint of foreign interference, under no matter what guise, was resented and rejected. That is why such men as Morse, however sincere and devoted of good works, were hunted down. The ordinary Englishmen regarded them as part spy, part propagandist for foreign powers. Some of them moved in secret, detection by dissimulation and half-truths. The knowledge of such secret men alarmed and maddened the public.

Today these are mere historical facts, and no unbiased historian feels called upon to pass ethical judgments upon them. Philip Catamont, however, is himself a member of the Society of Jesus; he sees Morse's career as a heroic struggle for the faith and his death as encompassed by heretics.

Apart from this, however, his book is a well-informed picture of certain aspects of English life in the north as well as in London. The plague of 1603 comes alive as perhaps in no other modern work; and Morse himself, though his "vocation to martyrdom" may sicken us, emerges as a real person.

LAMMERGEGERS

Adventure begins in Kenya by John Pollard (Hale, 16s.) deals mainly with reptilian birds known as Lammergeigers, strange huge carion-eaters which can measure ten feet from tip to tip. The author, with companions, who include a likeable, tough character called Hook who keeps a crazy private zoo and catches cheetahs for his hunting pack, go mountain-touring, dodge rhinos and buffalo, and eventually not only see these rare birds, but procure an egg. Lammergeigers, by the way, used to exist in Austria and had a reputation for baby-stealing A.O.

"We still like Ike"

(SOMETIMES)

ties are shaky and graft-ridden dictatorships, the fourth is a near-dictatorship and only the fifth—Pakistan—can be considered as a "bulwark of the free world."

No doubt there are reasons for making sure that South Korea, Vietnam and Formosa do not suddenly collapse. But if this President's estimate of 75 per cent is right, it appears that around \$700 million was being appropriated to prop them up. It seems hard to blame the House for thinking that a paltry \$350 million would do.

The same President, incidentally, confessed that he was a little confused about the provisions of the civil rights bill now being kicked about in the Senate.

Considering that his Administration drafted it, this is a little surprising.

No one, however, should jump to the conclusion that lack of brain was responsible for the confusion. The President was on a spot. Some people wondered whether he would act upon a provision in the bill which would allow him to send troops into the South to enforce court decisions.

Shortly thereafter, the Administration announced that it would not, anyhow, act on these provisions, and the President, we hope, now understands the bill.

To economise with

In any case, having heard from the Administration, the Senate set about repealing some ancient legislation which would have let the President send in the troops whether the civil rights bill was passed or not.

That should make everything clear to everybody.

In the Senate it was regarded as a great compromise—though what was compromised, though quite known—and it now seems that the South may even let the bill go through.

America's "Investment Invasion" of Canada has stirred up a first-class political row north of the border. Not that Americans are worried. They're just a little hurt.

Now they're wondering where the next blow will fall—for, having exhausted their own frontier, Americans are hard at it on other peoples.

A survey taken last week shows, for instance, that U.S. investment in Australia is running at a neat \$50 million a year and that Americans already have \$100,000,000 invested "down under."

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London Letter

COMMONWEALTH AT HOME

ABOUT 40 British M.P.s of all parties gave a friendly round of applause as Pandit Nehru, attended by his sister, recently came to a committee room in the Houses of Parliament to address us. This was the man who, in conjunction with Gandhi, challenged and broke the long rule of the British Raj. He had served prison sentences of varying degrees. He had seen Gandhi die after repeated periods of detention. He had seen the Indian Princes deprived of their principalities and he had watched the last Viceroy depart.

Yet in this year of grace 1957 Mr. Nehru had come to the Commonwealth conference in London to discuss with the Prime Minister of Britain and the self-governing Dominions the mutual problems that have arisen.

By a strange quirk of destiny he had gone as a boy to school at Harrow, that post-alternative to Eton, and had not in the same study rooms as the youthful Winston Churchill had done.

After a pleasant introduction by the Chairman we were addressed by Mr. Nehru but his voice was so weak that even in that small space we had to strain our ears to catch his words. Standing by him was his sister, arrayed in the brightness of an Eastern sari, seeming as if she wanted to give some of her own strength. But the impression I gained was that Nehru had pressed the borders of fatigue and reached the point of no return.

What is happening to this strange, illogical thing called the British Commonwealth and Empire? A few days ago some of us Tories were formed into a committee to receive a delegation of a hundred or more representatives of Nigeria. The women, like the men, were ebony black. But their shawls lent radiance and vivacity to the scene. Laughter comes easily to them and they give a sense of unquenched vitality. That night half a dozen British M.P.s were drafted to Mr. Speaker's House overlooking the Terrace to dine with some 30 Burmese politicians. Again humour played its part as the after-dinner speeches mingled with the muffled sound of Big Ben reminding us that time stops for no man.

Such was the background as the Prime Minister arrived. Here in London was the huge-framed Sir Roy Welensky, the political head of the new Rhodesian Federation. His father kept a pub and was his own best customer. With no money in his pockets Roy became a professional prize fighter and won one contest after another until the inevitable happened and he was hammered into insensibility. So he became an engine



Commemoration of the Tolpuddle Martyrs has been postponed this year because of the bus strike. NEWS ITEM.

TOLPUDDLE DAY

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eye. But how does he rank as a speaker?

It is not easy to answer that question for the simple reason that every and after dinner speaking are two different things. With the exception of an amusing and not unfriendly reference to Mike Pearson the former Secretary of Canadian External Affairs he got down to business and stayed with it. Like Pericles in Ancient Greece he called on us to rise to the greatness of the Commonwealth conception. He traced its origin, he brought it up to the present and he looked into the future. Words poured from him like a torrent as if he were moved to a new compulsion by being in London. He made no attempt to flatter himself nor did he light the candles of wit. Rather too much, to my mind, his words were like a torrent. He never reached for a word, he hardly ever paused for effect, and unlike an actor was seldom seen to think the word before, he spoke it.

Nevertheless the effect was impressive and even moving. Here was man with a concept—one of his favourite words—who was not out to entertain his audience but to raise them to the challenge of destiny. In the language of horse racing his speech was a gallop from beginning to end. Yet it startled and moved his audience. Here was a mumbo jumbo worshipping before faded gods. This thing called the Commonwealth born of history and the dreams of men has become a dynamic living communion of nations like Abraham Lincoln he spoke of freedom as if it were in its infancy, and indeed there is less liberty in the world today than a hundred years ago.

It was interesting, after the dinner was over, to talk to him and to note that he showed no signs of fatigue nor any suggestion of self-dramatization. In short Canada's Prime Minister is a formidable figure, still young as politicians go, who is certain to play an immense role in the Commonwealth drama. The Premier and politicians have folded their tents and not very silently have stolen away.

The arrival of Mr. Diefenbaker at the London Air Port was duly televised. The English press ran innumerable profiles of him and finally there was the Canada Club Dinner at the Savoy. At the head table were Lord Alexander, Earl Ailes, The Lord Chancellor and pretty well all the big shots except Macmillan. At the other table were the resident London Canadians while in an adjacent room the wives were also combining the arts of dining, winning and ending with Lady Willingdon in emphatic form and Mrs. Diefenbaker stalling the picture not only with her natural good looks but a very smart gown.

How then did the new Canadian Prime Minister stand up to the battle of head table oratory? First let it be admitted that he is a good looking man who not only satisfies but pleases the

By Sir Beverley Baxter M.P.

driver—and now is a man of destiny.

At Lord's Cricket Grounds near my house, there was, during this period, R.G. Menzies, the Prime Minister of Australia, almost as big muscled as Welensky. To some people this voodoo worship of cricket will always remain a mystery but to Prime Minister Menzies it is more sacred than Lourdes. I first met him in 1940 when, as Prime Minister, he came to a war conference in London. We dined together on that occasion at the Commons and to show a personal interest I asked him what majority he had. "You are dining with my majority," he said. It was perfectly true—he had a majority of one.

But inevitably the limelight has been on the man from Ottawa. Not even Sir Laurence Olivier could have arranged anything more dramatic for the entrance of the star on the imperial stage. A few months ago hardly one Englishman in ten could have named the thousand of the Opposition in Canada, and if that seems a slight to Canadians, ask them to tell you who leads the Opposition in Australia and New Zealand.

Moral Support

But there was this difference. Suez had thrown a fierce glare upon the Canadian political scene with the result that the British interest in the Canadian General Election was not only intense but was nation wide. Rightly or wrongly the man in the street, the man in the factory and the man in the board room felt that Mr. St. Laurent's Government had failed to give us the moral support that one expects from kinsmen. Therefore it was assumed that when the Canadians went to the polls the result would to some extent be a vote of approval or disapproval of Mr. St. Laurent's attitude. Inevitably there was immense and probably disproportionate

and getting them—however silly they may sound afterwards. After all, this way you're in good company. Just imagine what a lemon Bernard Shaw would have felt if he'd had this letter to Mrs. Pat Campbell read in court:—

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SHAW'S FIRST LOVE

SELLS FOR £780

By GRAHAM DARK

MRS ALICE BUXTON

took an hour off from her office the other day to watch an album of love letters, written to her mother by George Bernard Shaw, sold in London for £780.

The love affair was ended by Shaw 72 years ago, and Miss Alice Lockett, returned the letters to Shaw before she married a doctor.

It was Shaw's first and most romantic love. Copper-haired Miss Lockett was a nurse and lived at Walthamstow. Red-haired Shaw, then little known, lived at Osnaugh Street, St. Pancras.

The end

Night after night he escorted her to the unromantic platforms of Liverpool Street Station, dallying over goodbyes, and then going home to sit late into the night writing to her.

The 20 letters in Shaw's delicate handwriting, sold the other day, cover the shy beginning of the affair and the end, two years later. A stormy, scornful end in which Shaw declared:—

"Beware. When all the love has gone out of me I am re-

morseless. I hurl the truth about like destroying lightning."

But that was not the last word. Mrs. Buxton, as she waited for the album to come under the hammer at Sotheby's, recalled how Shaw saw her mother for years after.

"I was a child," she said. "But I remember he used to send tickets for first nights and there was great excitement in the house. My father helped look after him when he was ill."

Practical

Miss Lockett—later Mrs. Sharpe—died in 1941. How would she have felt if she had known that the secrets of her romance were to be laid in the open market?

"I don't think she would have minded," said Mrs. Buxton. "She had a strong temperamental. I don't think she regarded Shaw as a good conquest."

Mrs. Buxton had not known of the letters' existence. They were sold anonymously, and the money they fetched from a London auctioneer—American dealer John Fleming—does not go to any of the family.



"It makes me Shudder"

says Anne Edwards

EITHER everyone ought to stop writing love letters. Or the legal chaps should stop reading them out in public.

I'm for the second course myself.

Every week yields fresh proof of the foolishness of love letters. Take the report from Swansea divorce court, for example. The judge quoted from a letter written by a wife to her husband in 1853, which

began: "My own precious darling sweetheart," and went on: "I wish you were here to hold my hand and rub my aches away. You are such a comfort, dear heart."

For the truth is that love letters are seldom good letters. Impulsive, emotional, dashed off in the moment, and intended for one pair of eyes alone—they are very repulsive.

It is no wonder they sound so silly when read again in the grey, old voices of the legal

men. In these cases it just isn't true that mankind loves a lover. Mankind laughs at lovers.

"My own darling Tootles," reads the barrister in court. His lordship leans forward in astonishment. "WHAT?" he says drily. "Tootles, my lord."

Blushes

I RECALL with pity (and a touch of apprehension) the blushes of these unlucky lovers where letters have been captured and used in evidence.

I REMEMBER the well-to-do, well-covered business man who had to hear it explained in court how his wife used to write to him as "Darling shadow."

I REMEMBER the young woman petitioning for divorce about whom all were informed that her husband called her "Sinkie" but his Assistant Scoutmaster called her "Poppet."

I REMEMBER the young man sued for breach of promise who had to listen to love letters written three years before: "Once again, darling, let me tell you how much I love you, darling. All my love, darling."

Of course there are ways of saving your face. You could use the phone. Or you could take the advice of the American Senator Boies Penrose, who said that he never wrote a letter to a woman "that you could not chill the beer on."

But it wouldn't be my choice. I'm for writing love letters—

and getting them—however silly they may sound afterwards.

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Precaution

PROBABLY the only precaution worth taking is to advise of the man who said: "Next time I write a love letter, I shall begin it: 'Darling, Sweetie-ple... and Gentle-men of the Jury.'"

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

BORN today, you will find that your native wit, imagination, observation and facility with the written word may qualify you for a career in writing. Your tastes are intellectual and you are happiest when you are creating something artistic.

You have the gift of presenting a new idea so attractively that others will be keenly interested. You have many of the gifts associated with being a fine teacher. Science, philosophy and religion are also fields in which you show keen interest. Hence, several areas are open to you although you will be happiest in the arts or professions.

You are fond of the fine things in life and will want to be surrounded by them. As a matter of fact, you cannot do your best work unless there is harmony in your surroundings. If you find a conflict here, make a definite and earnest effort to effect the necessary change. Only in the right environment can you really produce fine work.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

LEO (July 24-Aug. 21)—Take time out now for some well-earned rest. Take care of necessary routine only. You can afford to go into low gear.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Emphasis today is upon shopping for necessities. You should find bargains and have fun hunting them.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Follow your intuitions in handling personal and confidential matters to your best advantage. Get what you want.

You have many of the qualifications of the diplomat but you are not one to adjust yourself needlessly to the convenience of others. Technically and pleasantly, you will converse on almost any point of view. You can be extremely persuasive when you choose to be.

Fond of comfort, you women especially will want your own home. You will be happiest if you wed while quite young so that you will have your own family to nurture. Your love is deep and sincere and you can bring exceptional happiness to the one you wed.

Among those born on this date were: Pierre L. D'Amant, architect; F. Marion Crawford, and Eliza Carr, authors; John Sloan, artist; Caleb Henry, educator; Thomas Armitage, churchman; Lynn Loy, actress; and Bob Burns, actor.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Plan a quiet Saturday. A morning conference may give you renewed inspiration. Postpone new activities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Spend a leisurely relaxing day and set down timelines if they have been mounting. Revitalize spiritual values.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Confidential matters may come up for consideration. Give them careful thought before acting upon them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Healthful activities should be placed on today's agenda. Next week will prove an important one. Be ready.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—A romantic day and one which should bring you exceptional happiness and contentment.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Follow your intuitions on some matter of importance to your future. Postpone business activity, but plan ahead.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Better to give in a little and keep the peace than be vitally stubborn and start an argument.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Plan to utilize your best talents during the next few days and make important progress toward your goal.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Make up for any time lost. You can find excellent bargains if you are hunting home furnishings.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Part Score Lures South

By OSWALD JACOBY

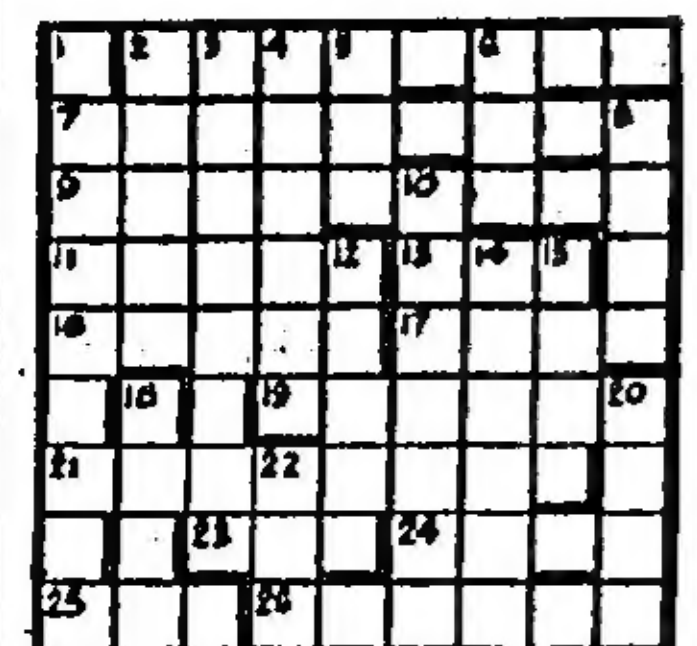
SOUTH liked his hundred honours and his nice, comfortable hand. He had 30 on score and was going to score game, rubber and the honours.

The opening lead of the ten of hearts and his first sight of dummy did not disturb him. He could stand some bad breaks.

He won the opening lead and led a second trump. East showed out and South realised that he was down. In an effort to save something from the wreckage he tried the club finesse. That lost and a diamond came back. Eventually, South lost three trump tricks, one spade, two diamonds and a club and was down three for a loss of 300 points, less a hundred-point credit for his honours.

South certainly was unlucky, but as is frequently the case,

CROSSWORD



Across
1. A garden is God's lot. (8)
2. A famous show between the wars. (10)
3. A famous person. (5)
4. Does it eat a foot? (3)
5. A kind of argument that suddenly leaves a winner. (3-5)
6. A famous person. (5)
7. Good one makes a modern commutation. (10)
8. Does he draw his own salary? (6)
9. The moon that grows. (8)
10. Sun starts the week. (3)
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North and South vulnerable and 30 on score
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
3♥ Pass Pass
Opening lead—♥10

poor South had succeeded in manufacturing his own bad luck.

South did hold the four top hearts. He bid the suit twice and his partner bid two other suits. South had four good spades and when North bid spades South should have raised him to three spades and given up his hundred honours.

North would have played the hand at three spades. A diamond opening and a club return would have given him a little trouble but he should make the hand.

He would have to win the club lead with the ace and start right after trumps. That way he would lose one club, two diamonds and a spade only.

If he tried the club finesse or started after the hearts early he would wind up in the soup, but not as deep in the soup as South did.

CARDSENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 2NT Pass
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
4♥ Pass 5♥ Pass
5♥ Pass 6♥ Pass
6♥ Pass 7♥ Pass
7♥ Pass 8♥ Pass
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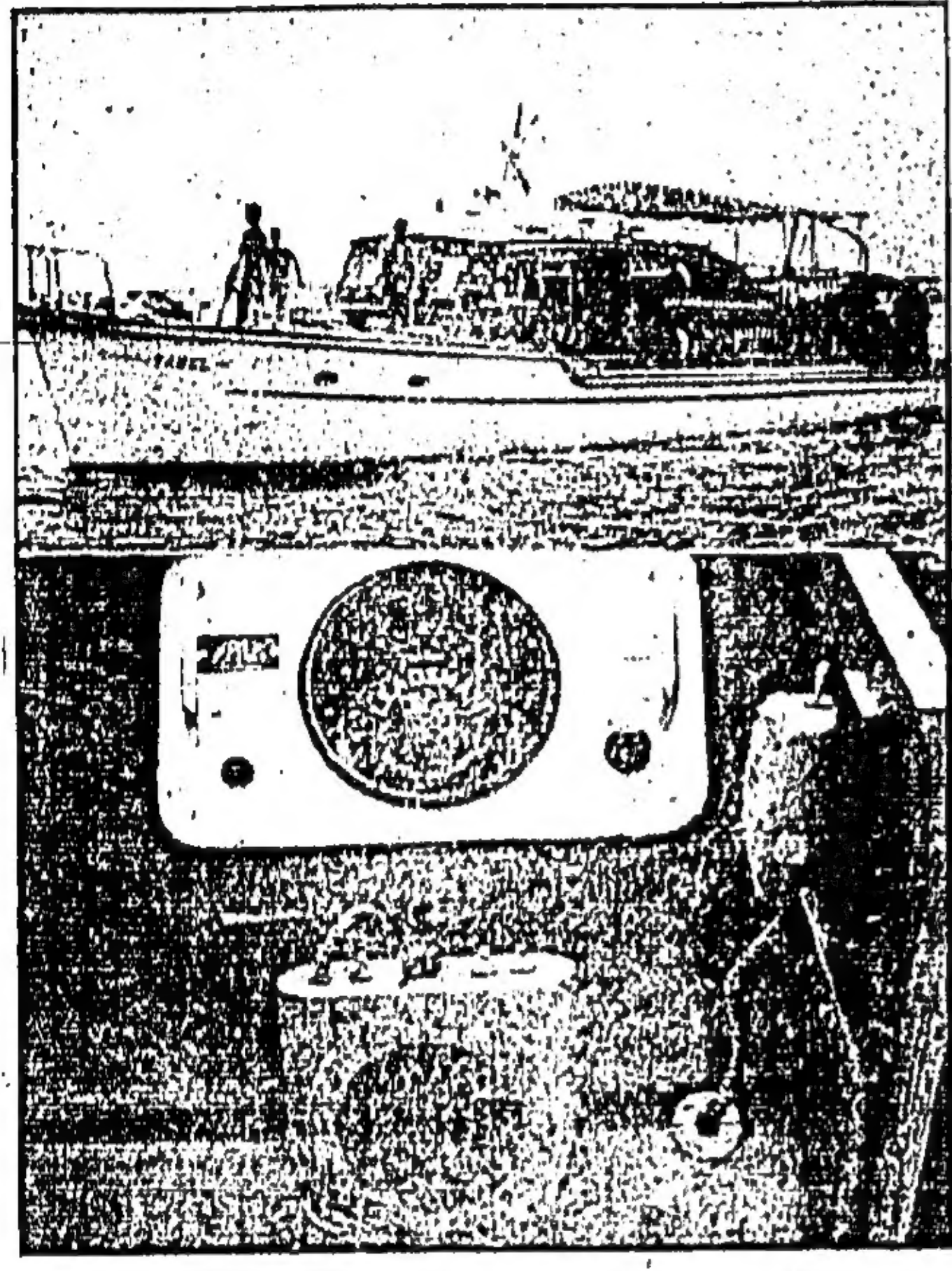
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Game Wardens Reappointed

Messrs J.T. Prior, J.C.V. Ribeiro and Dr A.P. Gutierrez were re-appointed Honorary Game Wardens for the purpose of assisting in carrying out the provisions of the Wild Birds and Wild Mammals Protection Ordinance for a period of three years with effect from July 30, 1957, the Government Gazette notified this morning.

DPW Appointed

The appointment of the Hon. A. Angles, Director of Public Works, to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council until June 30, 1958, was notified in the Government Gazette this morning.



A view of the fountain in full spray at the Causeway Bay roundabout taken by a China Mail photographer last night. The fountain built soon after the completion of the roundabout began spraying recently.

Cook Missed His Ship

A British cook missed his ship, HMT Asturias because he was drunk at the time of departure.

Twenty-three-year-old John Sheath said, he realised he'd missed the ship 15 minutes too late.

He appeared before Mr D. L. P. Edwards at Marine Court this morning charged with negligently remaining in the Colony after the departure of his ship.

He was fined \$150 or four weeks.

GOT DRUNK
The Court was told Sheath went ashore four hours after Asturias berthed at Kowloon Wharf.

He went to the Red Lion Bar where he got drunk.

On discovering his ship had left, he went to the YMCA, Kowloon and slept the night there.

The next day he met a police officer at Salisbury Road and reported what had happened.

NOW IT'S WORKING



RETURN FARES TO EUROPE

Lloyd Triestino have decided to introduce return fares on their ships sailing out of Hongkong, a spokesman for the agents, Messrs Dodwell and Co., Ltd., said this morning.

The concession will represent a 10 per cent cut on two one-way tickets.

The spokesman said the concession would take effect from the Asia sailing on August 27, tickets being valid for one year from the date of sailing to the date of disembarkation.

P and O, a Dutch and two German lines had previously announced similar concessions.

NOW ROAD SIGNS WILL BE STANDARD

A number of regulations to standardise the method of notifying road works for traffic safety were made by the Governor-in-Council, according to the Gazette published today.

These regulations are to come into force on January 1 next year.

They are not the first regulations made to require road contractors and persons legally permitted to cause obstructions on the highways to illuminate these obstructions at night and to indicate their existence during day time for traffic safety.

These regulations, cited on the Vehicle and Road Traffic (Lighting and Guarding of Road Works) Regulations, 1957, are the first ones introduced requiring that day and night-time signs be of the same standard.

Offence Against A Girl

Pleading guilty to a charge of indecent assault on a 10-year-old girl, a 26-year-old car cleaner Lee Ming, of 501 Shanghai Street, first floor, was sentenced to 8 months' imprisonment by Mr F. L. Yang at Kowloon this morning.

Defendant was also ordered to be placed under Police supervision for two years.

The alleged offence was stated to have taken place on the roof top of 511 Shanghai Street on July 27.

Swiss National Day

Almost 100 distinguished guests including His Excellency, Sir Alexander Grantham, and Lady Grantham, attended the reception in celebration of the Swiss National Day at the residence of the Consul for Switzerland this morning.

Dr G. Bonnant, proposed a toast to Her Majesty the Queen and Sir Alexander Grantham responded with a toast to the President of the Swiss Confederation.

NT Courts

The authorisation of Mr P. V. Dodge, as a Special Magistrate, to hold a Small Debts Court in the New Territories at the following places was given in the Government Gazette this morning.

Land Office, Tai-po; Land Office, Ping Shan; The Rural Committee Offices at Tsun Wan, Salkung and Tai-O; and at the Cheung Chau Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Cheung Chau, and the Residents' Association Office at Peng Chau.

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HIT POLICE VAN

A colony traffic inspector suggested that if drivers would co-operate and stop their vehicles when told to by police constables, there would not be so many accidents.

The Inspector's suggestion was made in Hongkong Magistrate's Court this morning in the case of a 28-year-old mechanic, Lee Kam-shing, of 113 Tung Choi Street, first floor, charged with driving without due care and attention and causing damage to public property.

Defendant failed to stop his car immediately at Pokfulam Road near Hongkong University on May 6, when signalled to do so.

Defendant later stopped but it had already swerved into a police van causing damage to both vehicles.

Defendant was found guilty. He was fined \$30, licence endorsed and was ordered to pay \$8 compensation to the HK Police. He was cautioned on his second offence.

Kun Tong Land For Sale

Two lots of Industrial Crown land in the Kun Tong reclaimed area, Lots Nos. 77 and 78, will be offered for sale at a public auction to be held at the Crown Lands and Survey Office on Monday, August 12.

The lots have an area of 10,000 square feet each. They carry an annual rental of \$230 and an upset price of \$50,000. The lots are restricted to industrial purposes excluding any offensive, noxious, noxious or unhealthy trade, business or manufacture.

Purchasers can pay for them by the instalment plan in seven 12 or 18 annual payments but each instalment will include a five per cent interest. Purchasers, after having elected to pay the premium by instalments, are entitled to redeem at any time the whole of the outstanding instalments by paying a lump sum representing the outstanding instalments discounted at the rate of five per cent.

Watches Stolen From Sleeping Men

Two Chinese reported to the Police in Kowloon the loss of their watches while they were asleep. In the first case, the victim said the theft occurred outside No. 19 G. Block, Shek Kip Mei Village, yesterday. The second theft occurred early this morning outside No. 8, Victory Avenue.

NEW DISTRICT OFFICER IN TERRITORIES

The appointment of Mr P. V. Dodge to be District Officer, Headquarters, New Territories Administration, was announced in the Government Gazette this morning.

Mr Dodge, a Cadet Officer, Class II, was also appointed to the concurrent posts of Special Magistrate, Assistant Collector of Stamp Revenue and Secretary to the Rural Development Committee for the New Territories.

Mr Dodge replaced Mr J.P. Aserappa in the posts of District Officer, Assistant Collector of Stamp Revenue and Secretary to the Rural Development Committee.

PWD ENGINEERS
Other appointments, transfers, promotions and postings approved were:

Mr Norman George Thurston and Mr Fred Valentine to be Engineers of the Public Works Department.

Mr David Akers-Jones to be a Cadet Officer, Class II.

Dr Woo Chun-hong to be a Radiologist of the Medical Department.

Mr D. C. Readman, Executive Officer, Class I, ceased to act as Assistant Secretary (Boards), Medical Department, on proceeding on leave; Mr John Owens, Executive Officer, Class

Mr D. Akers-Jones, Cadet Officer, Class II, to be Administrative Officer (Control Division), Commerce and Industry Department.

Mr Lam Po-hon, Engineer (Way and Works) Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) to be Acting General Manager, Railway, during the absence of Mr I. B. Trevor.

Mr T. G. Garner, Officer-in-Charge, Training Centre, to be Acting Superintendent of Prisons during the absence of Mr R. S. Rosen; Mr C. T. F. McDonald, Chief Officer, Prisons Department, to be Acting Chief Officer vice Mr McDonald; Mr R. L. Zuker, Principal Officer, Prisons Department, to be Acting Officer-in-Charge, Training Centre, vice Mr Garner.

Mr Pang Kin-cheung ceased to be a District Registrar of Births and Deaths as of August 1.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Summer vacation doesn't last too long, Mr. Bangel. If you'd try me on some big deals I could make my mark before I have to go back to school!"

Two Unions Registered

Two trade unions, the Hongkong and Kowloon Shoe Laces and Sole Workers Union of 10 Hanking Street, and the Hongkong and Kowloon Wood Sawyers General Union of 198 Tong Mi Road, have been registered in accordance with the Trade Unions and Trade Disputes Ordinance, the Government Gazette notified this morning.

Yuen Long Fire Station

Tenders for the construction of a three-bay fire station at Yuen Long, New Territories, and a new primary school at the Li Chong Uk Resettlement Estate in Shamshuipo are called for in this morning's Government Gazette.

Rules Committee

The appointments of the Hon. Leo d'Almada e Castro, CBE, QC, and Mr Kan Yuet-keung to be Members of the Rules Committee under the Supreme Court Ordinance were announced in the Government Gazette this morning. Mr d'Almada e Castro replaces Mr John McNeill, QC, during the latter's absence, and Mr Kan replaces Mr George Stephen Ford.

PROMOTED

The promotions of the following Second Lieutenants to the rank of Lieutenant in the Hongkong Regiment have been approved, the Government Gazette notified this morning: G.E.G. Kew, R. L. Dorio, F. J. Anslow, Wco Hok-sin, J. B. Wu, F. J. Law, D. C. Dunkerley and J. A. Fortune.